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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts, mailed February 5, 2004, in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before Tuesday September 7, 2004 (September 5, 2004 occurring on a Sunday, and Monday September 6 being a federal holiday). Check No. 19284 in the amount of \$1,005.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5).

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19705-001CIP. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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